Fruit and Nut

Apples: Arizona's utilized apple production was 7.0 million pounds, significantly below last year's crop. The total crop value was \$550,000, well below last year's \$4.51 million.

Pecans: Arizona was the nation's 4th leading State in pecan production for 2003, with production of 22.5 million pounds. Nationally, pecan production was down nearly half from last year. The U.S. average price of \$0.96 per pound reflected a \$0.36 cent increase from the previous year. Arizona pecan price averaged \$1.04 per pound, up \$1.03 from a year ago.

<u>Citrus:</u> Utilized production, **nationally**, totaled 15.2 million tons, down 6 percent from last year's crop, and 15 percent lower than the 1997-98 record high crop. California's orange production was up 20 percent, but grapefruit production decreased 5 percent from the previous year. Texas showed a

decrease of 4 percent in grapefruit and 10 percent in orange production from a year ago. Arizona's citrus production was 1 percent less than the previous season. In the 2002-03 season, Florida accounted for 74 percent of U.S. citrus production; California totaled 23 percent; Texas and Arizona produced the remaining 3 percent.

Arizona's orange, lemon, grapefruit, and tangerine acreage decreased 1,200 acres from a year earlier. The total value of all citrus production, at \$40.3 million, was 28 percent less than the previous year.

Grapes: Arizona's grape production ranked 7th in the nation in 2003. The price per ton was \$1,030, an increase of \$83.00 from last year. The total value was up 3 percent from the previous season, at \$8.20 million.

Apples: Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, and Value

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	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Bearing acreage (Acres)	3,700	3,800	3,900	3,900	2,000	1,500	1,000
Yield per acre (Pounds) 1/	12,200	12,100	8,790	24,400	2,700	17,500	7,000
<u>Utilization of production:</u> (Million Pounds)							
Fresh	0.5	11.7	5.4	3.0	0.1	6.0	0.1
Processed	43.6	33.3	26.6	91.5	5.2	20.0	6.9
Total	44.1	45.0	32.0	94.5	5.3	26.0	7.0
Season average price (\$ per Pound)	0.107	0.147	0.127	0.074	0.066	0.173	0.079
Value of utilized production (1,000 Dollars)	4,724	6,628	4,054	6,971	350	4,506	550

^{1/} Yield is based on total production, which includes unharvested production and fruit harvested, but not sold due to market conditions.

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